

CONNECTIONS

Stories of the SWAC-scattered community



Congratulations Grant!

SCOTT GOODE

Congratulations to one of our own! Rev Dr Grant Bell was collated as the Archdeacon for Wagga Wagga and the Slopes last Saturday in a small gathering as required by COVID-19 restrictions. The service was recorded and should soon be found on the diocesan website (<https://anglicancg.org.au/>). Bishop Mark spoke from 1 Peter 5 on the model of Christian leadership. *Arch* literally means beginning or first, and *deacon* means servant. As the 'first servant' Grant will be a member of Bishop in council (the diocesan senior leadership team) and have responsibilities locally. He also continues as Director of St Martin's College at CSU.



OFFICE HOURS:

Our office is now
open:

10am - 2:00pm

Tue to Fri

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National Reconciliation Week

FROM RECONCILIATION.ORG.AU

In 2020 Reconciliation Australia marks twenty years of shaping Australia's journey towards a more just, equitable and reconciled nation. Much has happened since the early days of the people's movement for reconciliation, including greater acknowledgement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander rights to land and sea; understanding of the impact of government policies and frontier conflicts; and an embracing of stories of Indigenous success and contribution. 2020 also marks the twentieth anniversary of the reconciliation walks of 2000, when people came together to walk on bridges and roads across the nation and show their support for a more reconciled Australia. Today we work together to further that national journey towards a fully reconciled country. Reconciliation is a journey for all Australians – as individuals, families, communities, organisations and importantly as a nation. At the heart of this journey are relationships between the broader Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. We strive towards a more just, equitable nation by championing unity and mutual respect as we come together and connect with one another. On this journey, Australians are all **In This Together**; every one of us has a role to play when it comes to reconciliation, and in playing our part we collectively build relationships and communities that value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories and cultures.

Today we
acknowledge
the Traditional
Owners of this
land - the
Wiradjuri
people, and pay
our respects to
elders: past,
present and
emerging.



27 MAY – 3 JUNE



Happening around SWAC

LISA KELLY

The construction of the new toilet facilities and stairway has begun at St Paul's this week! The hand rails have been removed, and the first lot of stairs are now gone! If you need to access the church the office will be accessible during the whole build time, and there is a corridor to be able to access the kitchen. The hall itself is off limits during this time. Please park in the top carpark to allow access for builders closer to the doors.



The garden around St Paul's regularly needs caring for.

Please contact Peter Keith if you have some time to help him with weeding or raking leaves. Thanks to members of the Chain Gang for your excellent work around the garden!

Parish Communications

KYLIE POLKINGHORNE

We are getting reports that not everyone is receiving all the email correspondence from the parish. With Scott on leave, there will be two major email distributions each week:

SWAC-online Worship - from Natalie McDermott on Sundays.

SWAC-scattered Connections Newsletter - from Kylie Polkinghorne

If you do not receive either of these emails as you are expecting, please let the parish office know. We think there is a 'hit and miss' issue around bigpond emails. Also, check your spam or junk folder. We will keep working on it, but you can always access all the communication and services on www.swac.church and click on "SWAC ONLINE".

Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary to Margaret & Peter Keith
and happy 95th birthday to John Cosier





For inclusion in the parish prayers for those in need please email

kyliiep@swac.church

Regular updates of people will ensure latest information.



Prayer for those in need

For those in our community that are battling illness.

Remember those with family members currently overseas; who may be supporting others, unable to return home or unable to meet up together as planned.

Pray for communities around the world who do not have the resources or capacity to effectively deal with the Covid19 threat.

Pray for continued reconciliation between all members of Australia, and a fair and just future for all who live here, regardless of cultural background.



NATALIE GOODE as she recovers from knee replacements had on 25th May. Her doctor is happy with how the surgery went. Please pray for management of pain and rehabilitation.

BERYL PERKINS as she recovers at home from her second hip replacement (different hip to previous one).

BOB and BETTE MENZIES with frail health, and Bette's hip replacement.

LAUREL WILLIS recovering from thyroid removal on 21st May.

BARBARA SLADE as she has treatment for breast cancer. Thanksgiving for early diagnosis.

GWEN WOODHAM (mainly music team member) as she undergoes chemotherapy for leukemia.

SUSAN LEATHAM recovering from surgery.

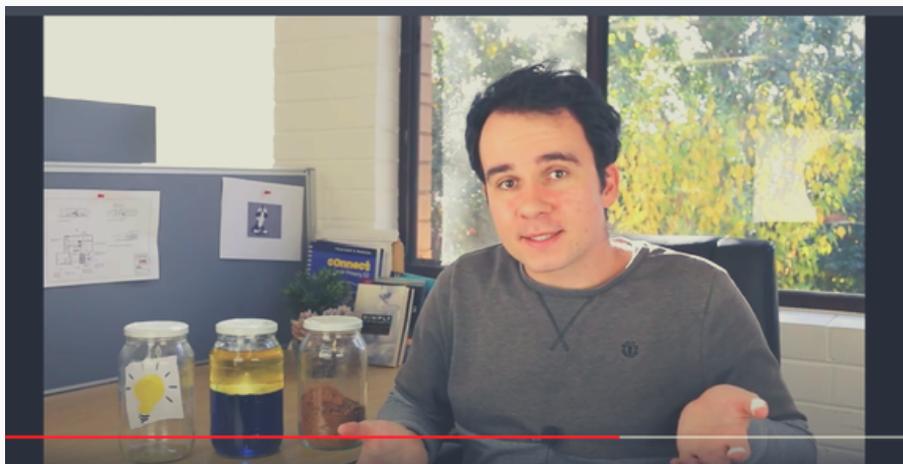
LAURIE BELL having spinal fusion 2nd June.



SWAC Kids zoom meet on Sundays at 11am with Matt & Amanda. Email Matt for more info or to sign your kids up!

SWAC Kids' Corner

Over the past weeks, our Kids Online group have been learning about the **7 Days of Creation**. We have had a great time learning about how God created, then filled the world. We learned that on days 1, 2 and 3, God created the universe, the sea and the land. Then on days 4, 5 and 6, God filled the universe, the sea and the land. Lately, we have been challenged to be the 'Light of the World', especially at home and at school. We are loving being able to Kid's Church online through Zoom!



Journey through Mark's Gospel

BIBLE READING GUIDE

SATURDAY	Mark 5:35-39	Psalms 104:26-32
MONDAY	Mark 5:40-43	Psalms 91:9-16
TUESDAY	Mark 6:1-6	Psalms 90:13-17
WEDNESDAY	Mark 6:7-13	Psalms 123
THURSDAY	Mark 6:14-29	Psalms 25:8-15
FRIDAY	Mark 6:30-44	Psalms 119:161-168

If you would like to listen to a daily devotion from J.C. Ryle's devotional commentary on Mark please go to:

<https://sites.google.com/swac.church/swac-ryle/home>

